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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 09 October 2008.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-8, 10-17, 21-25 and 36-38 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-8, 10-17, 21-25 and 36-38 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 11 February 2002 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☒ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

1. This is in response to the RCE filed on 9 October 2008.
2. Claims 1-8, 10-17, 21-25 and 36-38 are pending in the application.
3. Claims 1-8, 10-17, 21-25 and 36-38 have been rejected.
4. Claims 9, 18-20 and 26-35 have been cancelled.

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

5. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 9 October 2008 has been entered.

Response to Arguments

6. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-8, 10-17, 21-25 and 36-38 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

7. Claims 1-8, 10-17, 21-25 and 36-38 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Independent claim 1 recites the limitation "wherein the proxy module leaves the user request unaltered if the protocol is not only for requesting and retrieving content, such that no

redirection header is added". The examiner understands that the request is unaltered is not only for requesting and retrieving content, but it is unclear to the examiner as to what happens to the request afterwards. It is unclear to the examiner if the request is dropped, rejected or blocked.

Independent claim 16 recites the limitation "if the protocol of the request is not for requesting and retrieving content, at the proxy module in the redirection program, passing the request for content unaltered such that the request for content bypasses the proxy server". The examiner understands that the request is being passed so it bypasses the proxy server; however it is unclear to the examiner where the request ends up. It appears to the examiner that the only entity that the request could end up at is the target server. However, if the request is not only for requesting and retrieving content then it would not make sense that the request gets forwarded to the target server.

Any claims not directly addressed are rejected on the virtue of their dependency.

Allowable Subject Matter

8. Claims 1-8, 10-17, 21-25 and 36-38 are allowed over the prior art.

As to independent claim 1, prior art does not disclose, teach or fairly suggest the limitation "wherein the proxy module leaves the user request unaltered if the protocol is not only for requesting and retrieving content, such that no redirection header is added".

Independent claim 16 recites the limitation "if the protocol of the request is not for requesting and retrieving content, at the proxy module in the redirection program, passing the request for content unaltered such that the request for content bypasses the proxy server".

Any claims not directly addressed are allowed on the virtue of their dependency.

Conclusion

9. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Aravind K. Moorthy whose telephone number is 571-272-3793. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 8:00-5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ayaz R. Sheikh can be reached on 571-272-3795. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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